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## United States Patent Application

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ANALYTIC METHOD AND REAGENT FOR USE THEREOF

Insert TITLE of invention

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The specification of which

a. ☐ is attached hereto

b. ☒ was filed on 21 December 2001

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as application serial no. 10/019866

and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable)

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described and claimed in international no. PCT/NO01/00480 filed 30 November 2001

and as amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if any), which I have reviewed and for which I solicit a United States patent.

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COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING (day, month, year)	DATE OF ISSUE (day, month, year)
Norway	20006130	01/12/2000	
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- a) ☐ the specification filed herewith.  
 b) ☐ provisional application serial no. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.  
 c) ☒ non-provisional application serial no. 10/019866, filed 21 December 2001.  
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